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1. WE TOO HAVE EMPHASIZED TO INQUIRERS THAT VIETNAMESE WHO ARE BENEFICIARIES OF IMMIGRANT VISA PETITIONS MUST OBTAIN SRV EXIT PERMITS.
2. THERE APPEARS TO BE NO PARTICULAR PATTERN OR PREDICTABILITY ABOUT WHO MAY OBTAIN AN SRV EXIT VISA. WE HAVE ASSUMED THAT LOCAL COMMITTEES OR OFFICIALS MUST BE INFLUENCED OR BOUGHT OFF AND THAT THIS VARIES IN EACH LOCALITY. WE HAVE, FOR EXAMPLE, A NUMBER OF CASES ON FILE WHERE WE KNOW THE VIETNAMESE IN QUESTION ARE ON THE FRENCH CONSULATE LIST OF PERSONS WHO ARE ELIGIBLE FOR A U.S. IMMIGRANT VISA, CAN RECEIVE COMMUNICATIONS AND FUNDS FROM U.S. SPONSORS YET DO NOT SUCCEED IN OBTAINING AN EXIT PERMIT.
3. MOST OF OUR FEW SUCCESSFUL CASES HAVE BEEN IMMEDIATE RELATIVES OF U.S. CITIZENS OR SECOND AND FIFTH PREFERENCE

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BENEFICIARIES. (PERMANENT RESIDENT SPOUSES AND CHILDREN OR BROTHERS AND SISTERS OF U.S. CITIZENS.) WE HAVE ONE CASE PENDING WHERE THE WIFE OF AN AMCIT IS NOW BEING PROCESSED FOR EXIT AND THE FRENCH EMBASSY HERE INFORMS US THAT THERE ARE TWO CHILDREN INCLUDED. THESE CHILDREN ARE UNKNOWN TO THE HUSBAND, WHO IS LOCATED HERE.

4. CONCERNING TRAVEL DOCUMENTS, THERE HAVE BEEN NO VIETNAMESE PASSPORTS. SOME OF THE TRAVELLERS HAVE HAD ROC PASSPORTS. MOST HAVE APPARENTLY USED THE LAISSEZ PASSER ITSELF AS THE TRAVEL DOCUMENT.

5. TO DATE, FRENCH EMBASSY HAS ISSUED LAISSEZ PASSER TO ALL PERSONS WHO SUCCEEDED IN OBTAINING SRV EXIT PERMIT AND WHO WERE NOTIFIED TO THE FRENCH AS U.S. PETITION BENEFICIARIES. ALL SUCH PERSONS HAVE ENJOYED A SECOND NATIONALITY IN ADDITION TO THEIR VIETNAMESE CITIZENSHIP. IN SHORT NO RPT NO VIETNAMESE NATIONAL ON OUR LIST OF PETITION BENEFICIARIES WHO IS NOT A DUAL NATIONAL HAS SUCCEEDED IN OBTAINING SRV EXIT PERMIT AND FRENCH LAISSEZ PASSER.  
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